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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2015–16 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 662

Introduced by Assembly Member Bonilla

February 24, 2015

An act to add Section 19952.5 to the Health and Safety Code, relating to public accommodation.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 662, as amended, Bonilla. Public accommodation: disabled adults: changing facilities.

The federal Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 and the California Building Standards Code require that specified buildings, structures, and facilities be accessible to, and usable by, persons with disabilities. Existing law requires, among others, any person who owns or manages a place of public amusement and resort to provide seating or accommodations for physically disabled persons in a variety of locations within the facility, as specified. Existing law authorizes the district attorney, the city attorney, the Attorney General or, in certain instances, the Department of Rehabilitation acting through the Attorney General, to bring an action to enjoin a violation of prescribed requirements relating to access to buildings by disabled persons.

This bill would, by January 1, 2020, require the Division of the State Architect, the California Building Standards Commission, or other

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appropriate state regulatory entity to adopt regulations requiring would require a commercial place of public amusement, as defined, that is constructed on or after January 1, 2020, or that renovates a bathroom on or after January 1, 2029, to install and maintain at least one adult changing station, as defined, by January 1, 2020, for a person with a physical disability, as specified. The bill would extend the compliance period to January 1, 2025, for renovation projects that require permits or have estimated costs of \$10,000 or more. The bill would require a facility to ensure that the entrance to each adult changing station has conspicuous signage indicating its location, and, if the facility has a central directory, ensure that the central directory indicates the location of the adult changing station.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. Section 19952.5 is added to the Health and Safety 2 Code, to read:
- 3 19952.5. (a) By-Except as provided in subdivision (b), by
- January 1, 2020, the Division of the State Architect, the California
 Building Standards Commission, or other appropriate state
- 5 Building Standards Commission, or other appropriate state 6 regulatory entity shall adopt regulations requiring a person, private
- firm, organization, or corporation that owns or manages a
- 8 commercial place of *public* amusement to *shall* install and maintain
- 9 at least one adult changing station for persons with a physical
- disability that is accessible to both men and women when the facility is open to the public.
- 12 (b) The regulations adopted pursuant to this section shall contain the following:
 - (1) An installation and maintenance requirement for both of the following:
 - (A) A new construction occurring on or after January 1, 2020.
- 17 (B) A renovation of a restroom occurring on or after January 1, 2029, if the renovation requires a permit or if the estimated cost of the renovation is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or more.
- 20 (2) A requirement that the entrance to each station has conspicuous signage indicating the location of the station.
- 22 (3) A requirement that, if there is a central directory, the central directory indicate the location of the adult changing station.

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(e) The Division of the State Architect, the California Building Standards Commission, or other appropriate state regulatory entity may modify the regulations adopted pursuant to this section to conform to existing laws, regulations, and ordinances.

- (b) If the renovation of an existing facility requires a permit or if the estimated cost of the renovation is ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or more, the facility must comply with this section by January 1, 2025.
- (c) A facility shall ensure that the entrance to each adult changing station has conspicuous signage indicating the location of the station, and, if the facility has a central directory, shall ensure that the central directory indicates the location of the adult changing station.
- (d) For purposes of this section, all of the following definitions shall apply:
- (1) "Commercial place of public amusement" means an auditorium, convention center, cultural complex, exhibition hall, permanent amusement park structure, sports arena, or theater or movie house—that has a minimum occupancy of for which the maximum occupancy is determined to be 1,000 or more people. "Commercial place of public amusement" does not include any public higher education facility.
- (2) "Adult changing station" means an adult changing table placed within an enclosed restroom facility that is for use by persons with physical disabilities who need help with diapering.
- (3) "Physical disability" means a mental or physical disability, as described in Section 12926 of the Government Code.